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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Hideaki MIYAZAKI, et al.

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For:

SELECT-CALL ADMINISTRATION SYSTEM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend the claims as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

- 6. A select-call administration system according to claim 1, wherein based on the correspondence information said point-award presentation means adds predetermined points to a point value set for a receiving terminal having received a call pertaining to a select phone call.
- 10. A select-call administration system according to claim 1, wherein based on the correspondence information said point-award presentation means adds predetermined points to a point value set for a third party apart from the calling terminals and the receiving terminals.
- 11. A select-call administration system according to claim 1, wherein said point-award presentation means based on the point information charges fees to a calling terminal having transmitted a call pertaining to a select phone call.

- 12. A select-call administration system according to claim 1, wherein the correspondence information is call length of a select call.
- 13. A select-call administration system according to claim 1, wherein the correspondence information is operational information pertaining to operational content in the receiving terminals.

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- 14. A select-call administration system according to claim 1, further comprising point information notification means for reporting, to the calling terminal and the receiving terminal having completed a select phone call, point information created based on the call pertaining to the select call.
- 17. A select-call administration system according to claim 1, further comprising:

 point information setting means for presetting points added to a point value for a
 receiving terminal when in response to a call from a calling terminal a select phone call has
 taken place;

point prior-notification means for notifying a receiving terminal, during issuance of a phone call from a calling terminal, of point information set by said point information setting means; and

receive-call selection means for a receiving terminal to select in response to a phone call from a calling terminal whether or not a select phone call takes place.

REMARKS

In accordance with the foregoing, claims 6, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 17 have been amended. Claims 1-27 are pending and under consideration.

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There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please AMEND the following claims:

- 6. A select-call administration system according to [any of claims] <u>claim</u> 1 [through 5], wherein based on the correspondence information said point-award presentation means adds predetermined points to a point value set for a receiving terminal having received a call pertaining to a select phone call.
- 10. A select-call administration system according to [any of claims 1 through 5] <u>claim</u>

 1, wherein based on the correspondence information said point-award presentation means adds predetermined points to a point value set for a third party apart from the calling terminals and the receiving terminals.
- 11. A select-call administration system according to [any of claims 1 through 10] claim 1, wherein said point-award presentation means based on the point information charges fees to a calling terminal having transmitted a call pertaining to a select phone call.
- 12. A select-call administration system according to [any of claims 1 through 11] claim 1, wherein the correspondence information is call length of a select call.
- 13. A select-call administration system according to [any of claims 1 through 12] claim 1, wherein the correspondence information is operational information pertaining to operational content in the receiving terminals.

- 14. A select-call administration system according to [either] claim 1[2 or 13], further comprising point information notification means for reporting, to the calling terminal and the receiving terminal having completed a select phone call, point information created based on the call pertaining to the select call.
- 17. A select-call administration system according to [any of claims 1 through 16] claim 1, further comprising:

point information setting means for presetting points added to a point value for a receiving terminal when in response to a call from a calling terminal a select phone call has taken place;

point prior-notification means for notifying a receiving terminal, during issuance of a phone call from a calling terminal, of point information set by said point information setting means; and

receive-call selection means for a receiving terminal to select in response to a phone call from a calling terminal whether or not a select phone call takes place.